



## *Press Release*

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### **COUNCILMEMBER LICCARDO CALLS FOR MUNI CODE CHANGES TO PROMOTE SAFETY**

***City should prohibit the obstruction of sidewalks without a permit***

*SAN JOSE, CALIF.* – Tomorrow, Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 2:00 p.m. Councilmember Liccardo will advocate for a modification of the San José Municipal Code to prohibit the obstruction of sidewalks without a permit and penalize unpermitted closures with substantial penalties. This item will be heard at the Rules and Open Government Committee.

In 2011, 12 yr. old Colin Montgomery was struck by a moving vehicle when he rode off the sidewalk and onto the street because his path on the sidewalk was blocked by a truck and construction material left by a contractor. This requested change to the municipal code can go a long way to ensure Colin's fate does not befall another child in San José. Please see the attached memo for more information.